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DEPUTIES' MEETING

Wednesday, 15 October 1958

PRESENT: Mr. Dulles, General Cabell, Mr. Amory, [redacted]
Messrs. [redacted] Lloyd, [redacted] Kirkpatrick, Sheldon (part
of meeting), [redacted]

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Mr. Dulles:

a) Referred to a number of cables [redacted] State [redacted] concerning the
current situation in Finland and asked DD/I to have the Board of National Estimates
look at this problem and furnish him an estimate of "a page or two".

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d) The Director also noted his intention of asking [redacted]
[redacted] whom he will see on 20 October, to have [redacted] take a swing through
Saudi Arabia and furnish us his comments on this matter.

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e) Referred to a ^{State} cable from [redacted] dated 8 October 1958 reporting
the conversation between Khrushchev and [redacted] in which Khrushchev stated
"we have no Navy in the Black Sea and no submarines in the Black Sea and we are
not going to put any there". The Director asked if there was any truth to the
Khrushchev statement and was advised by Messrs. Amory and Sheldon that this in
fact was not the case since the Navy had just recently reported a sizeable fleet
of ~~the~~ USSR submarines in the Black Sea to include several surface vessels. The
Director commented he could not understand then why Khrushchev could make
such a statement well knowing that it is hard to hide ~~surface~~ surface vessels and
asked Mr. Sheldon to recheck with the Navy.

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General Cabell:

Noted General Erskine had raised with him the problem of one point of contact for CIA in Defense and commented that the Director's statement on this subject at his briefing for the Joint Chiefs of Staff on 8 October 1958 was apparently causing Erskine some concern. Mr. [REDACTED] pointed out that there is a Defense directive assigning such contact to the Erskine office, particularly in dealing with matters affecting NSC 5412. The Director noted that he had discussed this matter with Acting Secretary of Defense Quarles and Mr. Quarles had designated Jack Irwin, Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs. After some discussion Mr. [REDACTED] undertook to furnish the Director a paper on this problem to include the above mentioned Defense directive.

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Mr. Kirkpatrick:

Noted that on 20 November certain members of the Hull Board would be in the Agency for the purpose of discussing our handling of unvouchered funds. The Director commented that Gen. Hull had spoken to him about this and had also indicated he wished to discuss with Mr. [REDACTED] the handling of funds for project [REDACTED]

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Mr. Amory:

a) Referred to the forthcoming visit of [REDACTED] and his deputy and nominated successor [REDACTED], and strongly recommended that they be briefed on project [REDACTED]. Mr. Amory said that to date [REDACTED] had received this [REDACTED]

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Mr. Kirkpatrick stated he would also strongly recommend that the Director consider briefing the leaders of the CIA Congressional Committees and it was agreed that the Director would also raise this with General Goodpaster at a later date. Members of Congress mentioned were: Cannon, Taber, Vinson, Arends, Russell, Saltonstall and Hayden.

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